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Adoption of the Skamania Co. Hazard Mitigation Plan

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Ms. Kinley:

<u>Your jurisdiction has annexed to</u> the updated (2021) <u>Skamania County Hazard Mitigation Plan (attached)</u>, which is attached here. After ten years, with feedback from many of you, the old Plan was reviewed and updates were made to the natural hazards, risks, and possible mitigation efforts that could increase resilience to these hazards. FEMA has approved this updated Plan and the Skamania County Board of Commissioners has now adopted the Plan (resolution also attached).

What is the benefit of being annexed? ---

By being annexed and having formally adopted the Skamania County Hazard Mitigation Plan, the annexed jurisdiction has the opportunity to request <u>FEMA funding for mitigation efforts/projects</u> such as seismic retrofitting and securing, erosion control and slope stabilization, flood mitigation such as storm water drainage, maintenance of culverts and flood control devices, protection of powerlines and utilities infrastructure, generators, defensible space creation & fuel management, etc.

But in order to <u>qualify to apply for such funding</u>, a jurisdiction <u>must</u> have <u>formally adopted the Skamania County Hazard</u> <u>Mitigation Plan</u> during a Commission/Board/Council meeting. And for that purpose, we have also attached here an already-completed "Resolution" (in Word format, in case you'd like make any changes) for you to use.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need additional information. Otherwise, once adopted, we appreciate receiving a copy of your signed Resolution so we can submit it to FEMA.

Thank you in advance for assisting us in_our efforts to find funding for mitigation projects and thus making Skamania County more resilient.

Respectfully,

John Carson & Ernie Schnabler

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- 1 SC HMP --- FEMA-Approved 01APR2022.pdf 3247K
- Adoption Resolution by the County.pdf
- 6 City of Stevenson.docx
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